AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Kindly amend the specification as follows:

On page 1, after the title please insert the following paragraph and headings:

"CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a Continuation application of PCT/IB02/01365 filed April 24, 2002, which claimed priority of French Application No. 0105544 filed April 25, 2001, entitled "Protective Sheath Comprising a Longitudinal Flexible Material, Strip and Method for Producing said Sheath" all of which are included in their entirety by reference made hereto."

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Field of the Invention"

On page 1, after the first paragraph of the specification, please insert the following heading:

Description of the Related Art

On page 3, after line 15, please insert the following heading:

Brief Summary of the Invention

On page 4, after line 13, please insert the following heading:

Brief Description of the Several Views of the Drawings